# GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
# AGRICULTURE
# LOK SABHA

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ISRAELI AGRO TECHNOLOGY
RATILAL KALIDAS VARMA

**Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:**

(a) whether the Government propose to adopt Israeli Agro Technology in agriculture for dryland/desert in the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof alongwith the crops proposed to be grown using this technology, State-wise;

(c) whether any pilot projects are likely to be formulated and financed by Union Government; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

## Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE

(SHRI HUKUMDEO NARAYAN YADAV)

(a)&(b) : Two projects are being implemented, one in Rajasthan and the other in Gujarat for sustained productivity in dryland/desert areas.

(c)&(d): Department of Land Resources, Ministry of Rural Development is implementing a demonstration project on Jojoba in collaboration with `Association of the Rajasthan Jojoba Plantaion and Research Project (AJORP).

The Government of Gujarat sanctioned a scheme of wasteland development pilot project in the year 1996-97. In this regard, on behalf of the Government of Gujarat, the Agro Industries Corporation Limited, Ahmedabad have concluded agreement with `TAHAL CONSULTING ENGINEERS LTD, Telavit, Isreal.